

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th JANUARY, 2014 AT 7.00pm

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING

Present: *Councillors; J. Savage, Chairman,*
G. Curwen,
J. Edmondson,
D. Lawrenson,
E. Moorat
S. Morley,
Mrs. B. Schofield,
W. Whiteside
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
17 residents



4039. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received for this meeting from Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson and Cllr. G. Morris and the reasons accepted.

4040. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors disclosed pecuniary or non pecuniary interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting.

With reference to planning application 13/00885/FULMAJ

All the Parish Councillors declared an interest either as members of Pilling Memorial Hall or aware of discussions considering the relocation of the Hall and affordable housing on the present site.

Resolved: That the Parish Council grants a dispensation for all the Councillors as the meeting would inquorate and unable to discuss the application.

It was impressed on the Councillors to bear in mind that only the application presented is to be commented upon and when making a decision you will be representing the electorate of Pilling and not your own organisations interests.

Cllr. D. Lawrenson declared an interest as a member of Wyre Council planning committee and would take no part in the discussions; however, he is to ask that the planning committee make the final decision on this application.

4041. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved; The minutes of the last meeting, held on 4th December, 2013, having been circulated, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4042. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow residents to speak.

Police Report

There were a number of crimes over the past month including theft of heating oil from business premises on Lancaster Road; a quad bike was stolen from Eagland Hill, red diesel stolen from Scronkey and theft of food over Christmas from Springfield House Hotel. Anti-social behaviour incidents showed no pattern with suspected poachers on land at Eagland Hill.

Affordable Homes on Lancaster Road

A number of residents living around the Stakepool area spoke on the planning application to site 12 affordable houses to the rear of Bradley's Electrical with an access off Lancaster Road. Many have sent their objections to Wyre Council. Objections included traffic problems with the parking outside the neighbouring shops, wildlife protection, sewer problems, possible lack of public transport, vibrations from neighbouring works and flooding from Pilling Water. It was noted that the developer was holding an exhibition on 23rd January in Pilling Memorial Hall for residents to see the application and supporting documentation.

The meeting was resumed.

4043. PLANNING APPLICATION

The planning application following was brought forward for comment:

13/00885/FULMAJ

Proposal: Erection of 12 affordable dwellings

Location: Land off Lancaster Road, Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council, reflecting the views of the electorate, objects to this planning application on the grounds of Policy HOUS1, not using brownfield sites in favour of green fields, Policy CORE11, C, adverse impact of traffic movements and local highway network by additional traffic generated, also access, parking problems around the Post Office and visibility at junction, flooding and sewers.

The meeting was suspended to allow residents to speak.

Withdrawal of Bus Subsidies

Lancashire County Council is planning to remove the bus subsidy for the route 89 in the evening and on Sundays through Pilling and the resident was angry that after years of trying Pilling now had reliable public transport in this 2 hourly service. Cutting the services in the evening and on Sundays isolates those who need to visit hospitals or medical services to take up evening classes and younger people to return from Lancaster on a night out. It will promote rural isolation and take away personal independence. This public service is not necessarily paying its way, but it is a public service which should be provided and County should perhaps look to cut back and not simply cut?

Planning application for Wyresdale Concrete

A resident who lives near to the site was upset he had no knowledge of this latest planning application as he wished to comment. He asked that the date be extended and added there were no yellow planning notices posted. The clerk has since found out that planning notices were posted on Bradshaw Lane as the proposed development will affect those neighbours, who have been informed.

The meeting was resumed.

4044. BUS SHELTER FOR LANCASTER ROAD

As part of the planning application for the Blue Bell Farm development provision of two bus shelters were included, to replace the one opposite Blue Bell Close and one at the front of the Elletsons Arms. Councillors voted for a wooden shelter.

Resolved: To request Arden by Queensbury Shelters in wood.

Resolved: The Parish Council is unwilling to take over the future maintenance of the shelters.

4045. PROPOSED WITHDRAWAL OF SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICES

Lancashire County Council is proposing to withdraw some bus services, including the route 89 through Pilling and is consulting with Parish Council's for return by 17th January, 2014. Councillors discussed the potential rural isolation caused by the removal of evening and Sunday bus services in Pilling. The Parish Council is looking to gain two new bus shelters to encourage use of public transport.

Resolved: that the Parish Council is unable to support the withdrawal of bus subsidies by Lancashire County Council.

4046. PROPOSED PURCHASE OF THE JUBILEE BEACON

At last month's meeting it was suggested to purchase the beacon used during the Jubilee celebrations. Councillors discussed the usage and considered it would be an asset.

Resolved: That negotiations are initiated as concerns the price.

4047. BLUE BELL FARM DEVELOPMENT

The Parish Council is invited by Regenda to attend the start on site event for the new development of affordable houses on the Blue Bell Farm site. This will take place on Friday 10th January at 11.30 am.

Resolved: That three Councillors will attend.

4048. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following discharge of planning conditions is accepted:

13/00514/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of condition 1 relating to materials in connection with planning application 13/00514/REMAJ

Location: Land Rear Of Blue Bell Cottages, Blue Bell Close, Pilling

The following discharge of planning conditions is refused:

11/00663/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 4 (off-site highway works), 9 (drainage), 10 (drainage) and 11(land contamination)

Location: Land Rear Of Blue Bell Cottages, Blue Bell Close, Pilling

Please note that 'With regard to condition 9 and 10 (drainage) the necessary drainage details have not been submitted to discharge these conditions.

The desk study required by the following planning application has been agreed:

10/00838/DIS

Proposal: Agreement of details relating to condition 06 on application

10/00838/FUL

Location: Beech House, Duck Street, Pilling

The following planning application has been granted:

13/00748/FUL

Proposal: Change of use from partly converted barn to a holiday let, including alterations to a previously approved single-storey rear extension.

Location: Deekwood, Duck Street, Pilling

13/00750/FUL

Proposal: Erection of an agricultural storage building

Location: Miklemas Barn, Lancaster Road, Pilling

13/00737/FUL

Proposal: Erection of single-storey rear extension
Location: Longwood House, Longwood Lane, Pilling

13/00627/FUL

Proposal: Extension to existing packing area
Location: Wyreside Garden Concrete Prod, Old Station Yard, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling

Planning Applications for consideration

The Councillors made comment on the following planning applications:

13/00856/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a 50kw, 24m high wind turbine
Location: Primrose Hill Farm, Cartmell Lane, Nateby
Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application.

13/00905/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a detached storage building (within use class B8)
Location: Merry Field, Garstang Road, Pilling
Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and requests neighbourhood notification.

13/00896/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of land to provide storage area
Location: Wyresdale Garden Concrete Prod., Old Station Yard, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling
Resolved: To ask for an extension as the neighbours have not been informed. Update, this will be discussed at next month's meeting.

4049. FINANCE

The following was received by the Parish Council:

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| 1. Cash donation at the Party | £ 10.00 |
| 2. Lancashire County Council PROW | £ 18.64 |

Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

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| 1. Golden Ball | £383.00 | |
| 2. Stakepool Post Office | £ 47.00 | |
| 3. Clerk's Salary | £660.00 | |
| 4. Clerk's salary and expenses | £231.61 | |
| 5. Parish Lengthsman wages and expenses | £ 76.06 | |
| 6. Prudential AVC | £100.00 | Clerk's pension |
| 7. Catterall Parish Council | £ 19.41 | Phone and broadband |
| 8. HMRC | £971.01 | |
| 9. C and C Supplies | £121.90 | |
| 10. Bradley's Electrical | £ 12.68 | |
| 11. Chairman's Allowance | £ 50.00 | |
| 12. Dave Duperouzel – Web hosting | £ 75.00 | |
| 13. Houghton's Filling Station | £ 80.01 | |
| 14. G. Armer – Vehicle insurance | £336.35 | |
| 15. Trustee's of J B Clarkson | £ 25.00 | Sensory Garden |

Direct Debits

Staff costs	£940.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£775.13

Transfer from Reserve Account

Resolved: To transfer £5,000 from the reserve account into the current account.

Budget and Precept 2014 – 2015

Councillors who have ideas/projects for inclusion were asked to ensure they are costed before presentation for discussion. Councillors considered the budget and set the precept.

Resolved: To precept £46,000 for 2014 - 2015

4050. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported on the Senior Citizens' Christmas Party supported by a number of thank you cards and added that the new arrangement of the tables worked well.

Wyre Councillor

Cllr. D. Lawrenson was asked to update the Parish Council with the situation of the traveller's site. The gravel has not been removed and will possibly cost millions as it is contaminated, boulders have been placed at the gate to prevent access and the caravans and rubbish have gone.

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The next meeting will be on Monday 13th January, 2014.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm.

Chairman

Date